



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

**Brian E. Lockyear et al.**

Art Unit:

**2632**

Application No. **10/642,885**

Examiner:

**Helen Rossoshek**

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For: **Method and Apparatus For  
Solving Constraints**

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**Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on 2005/09/09, applicants submit the present Amendment on 2006/03/08.

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